

## Breastfeeding

## Percentage (%) of new mothers who reported the following reasons for not breastfeeding

Survey Question 54: What were your reasons for not breastfeeding your baby?

	Percentage <sup>1</sup>	95% CI <sup>2</sup>	Respondents <sup>3</sup>	Estimated Population Affected <sup>4</sup>
I didn't like breastfeeding	37.2	30.3 - 44.6	80	7,982
I didn't want to	22.7	17.1 - 29.4	48	4,873
I went back to work or school	18.0	12.9 - 24.6	34	3,872
I had other children to take care of	12.9	8.6 - 18.7	26	2,763
I tried but it was too hard	10.7	6.8 - 16.5	19	2,304
I was sick or on medicine	9.9	6.3 - 15.2	23	2,130
I had too many household duties	6.3	3.5 - 11.0	13	1,353

<sup>1</sup>**Percentage** = Weighted percentage of Illinois mothers giving birth to live infants in 2015 who responded Yes to the survey question for the specified indicator

<sup>2</sup>**CI** = confidence interval

-- Indicates denominator <30 respondents

<sup>3</sup>**Respondents (N)** = Total number of mothers who responded Yes to the survey question for the specified indicator

<sup>4</sup>**Estimated Population Affected** = Estimated number of Illinois mothers giving birth in 2015 who would respond Yes to the survey question for the specified indicator